

VALLEY FARMERS.

Livestock and Dairying Industries Offer Them Great Opportunities.

State Food and Dairy Commissioner Bailey, after having made a full and careful inspection of the dairying and stock industries of the Willamette valley, is convinced that no other branches of agriculture offer better opportunities for the farmer to realize, with proper effort, handsome profit, from his income as do these. Willamette valley farmers, Mr. Bailey says possess advantages for the raising of thoroughbred stock, not equalled anywhere in this region.

"Within the past week," says Mr. Bailey, "there have been buyers in Portland for heading stock which came prepared to buy an unlimited number. From \$10 to \$15 each was paid for spring lambs and at these figures less than 100 could be had and the parties will now be obliged to go East for the balance of their stock."

"To show how much it costs to raise these lambs, I have only to tell you on a recent visit to one of the valley farmers, I was shown a band of 100 Cotswold lambs that will average in weight 140 pounds each. These lambs were raised on grass on summer fallow land which probably cost 20 cents an acre to sow. And as each acre of these lambs is good for a \$10 bill it will not take much of a mathematical figure to get the profit."

"The same proposition holds good in regard to Angora goats. I have on my list many inquiries for goats and while five cents per pound is freely offered, there are none to be had."

"I want to tell you," continued Mr. Bailey, "that this valley is destined to be the mohair center of the world, for nowhere does the Angora goat thrive and put on that lustrous mohair as in the hills of the Willamette valley, and I am pleased to note that increased interest is being taken in these lustrous animals. Within the past 10 days a car load of pure bred goats had been received in the valley. These goats originated in the district of Angora and are bred in the purple. The value of this shipment to the goat breeders of the Northwest cannot at this time be estimated."

"If the farmers will only quit this vicious habit of summer fallow and instead raise clover, rape and vetches upon which to pasture sheep, goats and hogs, it will be the means of raising every mortgage on the farms within our borders."

"The question of dairying is a serious one. The dairymen were anxious to have a law protecting their interests, but are making no special effort to supply the demand for butter and cheese that is sure to come this winter. Already there is a shortage of good dairy products, while within 25 miles of Portland, located on the line of a railroad, are to be seen two creameries with the name 'Lacta' or 'Lacta' on each of them. These creameries are situated where there is every possible advantage for dairying, and upon investigation I find that they were not closed because the patrons did not do well, but because one fellow thought some other fellow was doing better or making more than he should out of the concern."

"Yes, there is as yet much to learn but the farmers have learned one lesson and that is that there is no money in raising 15 bushels of wheat to the acre and for which 45 to 50 cents is all that can be had, and they are now giving more thought and study along other lines."

Sugar Factory Will Start. Joseph Barton, manager of the Oregon Sugar Company, is making preliminary arrangements for starting a factory for the season's run. The factory will start about the 15th of September. About 100 men will be employed at the factory, as the factory will have much larger run this season than last. In fact there is a certainty of having more than twice the amount of beets to work. A great deal of labor will be required in harvesting the beet crop, which will commence within a very short time. There will consequently be a strong demand for labor in that vicinity during all the fall season.

Successful Bidders. Roberts Bros., capitalists of Spokane, were successful bidders for the Davenport water works bonds, the firm offering a premium of \$1,000 for the issue of \$14,450. There were several other bidders represented at the opening of the bonds when the bids were opened. The first offers were all rejected as being too low. New bids were called for and Roberts Bros. secured the bonds.

Call for Bond Bids. The treasurer of Baker county has issued a call for bids for the \$15,000 bond issue to build a schoolhouse. These bonds are to draw interest at the rate of five per cent per annum, interest payable semi-annually, and the bonds will be issued in denominations of \$1,000 each. They are payable in 20 years, or payable at pleasure of district in 10 years. All the bonds will be sold together.

Debts Will Be Paid. The troubles of the Montana Power Company of Butte are to be adjusted at once and the work of installing the machinery at the big dam on the Big Hole river will be pushed to completion at an early date. A capitalist of Butte has assumed the indebtedness of the concern, which amounted to \$210,000. Of this amount \$125,000 represented liens on the property and machinery, and \$85,000 of receiver's certificates for repairs to the dam last spring and fall.

Hops Not Damaged. The hops in yards adjacent to Salem was in no manner damaged by the recent excessive rain fall. All the growers agree that the rain has proved of great benefit to the hops, coming at quite the proper time. The success of the year's crop is of great concern financially to those engaged in the culture thereof.

TRADE GAINS STRENGTH.

Heavy Exports of Wheat—Favorable Outlook for Very Cheaper Advances.

Bradstreet's says: The trade gains strength as summer wanes. Reports of expanding fall demand arrive, accompanied by very cheerful advices as to the outlook in most parts of the country. In manufacturing lines production appears to be at a minimum, and the price situation remains most of its old strength. Notable in the matter of added strength is most of the cereals and iron and steel in many forms. The impetus given to wheat prices by the government report last week has been further reinforced by less favorable crop advices from other countries, notably India, and export business is reported as somewhat improved.

Wheat (including flour) shipments for the week aggregate 4,040,000 bushels, against 2,516,154 bushels last year, and 21,423,244 bushels in the corresponding week of 1908, 2,316,500 bushels in 1907, 2,991,693 bushels in 1906, and 2,599,140 bushels in 1905.

Since July 1 this season, the exports of wheat aggregate 26,163,062 bushels against 22,245,076 bushels last year, and 21,423,244 bushels in 1907-08. Business failures for the week number 172, as compared with 136 last week, 193 in this week a year ago, 221 in 1907, 264 in 1906, and 193 in 1905.

Bonding at a Low Rate of Interest. Some of the counties of Montana are reducing expenses by bonding their indebtedness at a low rate of interest. Beaverhead is about to issue a 4 per cent bond to the amount of \$40,000, and Gallatin county offers \$100,000 in bonds at a 4 per cent interest at the rate of 4 1/2 per cent.

PACIFIC COAST TRADE.

Portland Market. Wheat—Walla Walla, 57 1/2 @ 58 1/2; Valley, 59 @ 59 1/2; Bluestem, 60 @ 61 1/2 per bushel. Flour—Best grades, \$2.25; Graham, \$2.55; superfine, \$2.15 per barrel. Oats—Choice white, 40 @ 43; choice gray, 38 @ 42 per bushel. Barley—Food barley, \$17; brewing, \$18.50 per ton. Millet—Bran, \$17 per ton; middlings, \$22; shorts, \$18; chop, \$16.00 per ton. Hay—Timothy, \$8 @ 9; corn, \$7 @ 8; Oregon wild hay, \$6 per ton. Butter—Fancy creamery, 45 @ 50; seconds, 35 @ 40; dairy, 30 @ 35; store, 22 1/2 @ 27 1/2.

Eggs—18 @ 19 per dozen. Cheese—Oregon full cream, 13c; Young America, 13c; new cheese, 10c per pound. Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$4.50 @ 5.50 per dozen; hens, \$5.00 @ 5.50; springs, \$3 @ 3.25; geese, \$4.00 @ 5.00 for old, \$4.50 @ 5.50 for young; ducks, \$5.00 @ 5.50 per dozen; turkeys, live, 12 1/2 @ 13 1/2 per pound. Potatoes—70c @ \$1 per sack; sweets, 2 1/2 @ 3c per pound. Vegetables—Beets, \$1; turnips, 90c per sack; garlic, 7c per pound; cauliflower, 1 1/2 @ 2c per dozen; peas, \$1.00 @ 1.25 per dozen; cucumbers, 50c per dozen; per pound; green corn, 12 1/2 @ 15c per dozen. Hops—11 @ 13c; 1807 crop, 4 @ 6c. Wool—Valley, 12 @ 13c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 8 @ 13c; mohair, 27 @ 30c per pound. Mutton—Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 2 1/2 @ 3c dressed mutton, 6 1/2 @ 7c; lambs, 5 1/2 @ 6c per lb. Hogs—Gross, choice heavy, \$5.00; light and feeders, \$4.50; dressed, \$6.00 @ 6.50 per 100 pounds. Beef—Gross, top steers, 3.50 @ \$4.00; cows, \$3.00 @ 3.50; dressed beef, 6 @ 7 1/2c per pound. Veal—Large, 6 1/2 @ 7 1/2c; small, 8 @ 9 1/2c per pound.

Seattle Market. Onions, new, \$1.25 @ 1.50 per sack; Potatoes, new, 1 @ 1 1/2c per lb. Beets, per sack, \$1.10. Turnips, per sack, 50 @ 60c. Carrots, per sack, 50c. Parsnips, per sack, \$1.10 @ 1.25. Cauliflower, 40 @ 50c per doz. Cabbage, native and California \$1 @ 1.25 per 100 pounds. Cherries, 75c @ \$1. Peaches, 75c @ 90c. Apples, \$1.25 @ 1.75 per box. Prunes, \$1.75 per box. Watermelons, \$2 @ 3. Cantaloupes, \$2 @ 2.50. Blackberries, \$1.50 @ 2. Butter—Creamery, 25c per pound; dairy 17 @ 20c ranch, 12 1/2 @ 17c per lb. Eggs, 24c. Cheese—Native, 10 @ 12c. Poultry—12 @ 14c; dressed, 16 1/2c. Hay—Fogot Sound Timothy, \$7 @ 8; choice Eastern Washington timothy, \$14.00. Corn—Whole, \$23.50; cracked, 22c; feed meal, \$23.00. Barley—Rolled or ground, per ton, \$21; whole, \$22. Flour—Patent, per barrel, \$3.50; blended straight, \$3.25; California \$3.25; buckwheat flour, \$3.50; Graham, per barrel, \$3.80; whole wheat flour, \$4; rye flour, \$4.50. Millstuffs—Bran, per ton, \$15; shorts, per ton, \$16. Feed—Chopped feed, \$30.50 per ton; middlings, per ton, \$22; oil cake meal, per ton, \$35.

San Francisco Market. Wool—Shipping—Newada, 13 @ 14c per pound; Oregon, Eastern, 10 @ 14c; Valley, 17 @ 18c; Northern, 8 @ 10c. Onions—Silver skin, 35c @ \$1 per sack. Butter—Fancy creamery, 24c; do seconds, 22 @ 23 1/2c; fancy dairy, 20 @ 24 1/2c do seconds, 16 @ 19c per pound. Eggs—Store, 17 @ 20c; fancy ranch, 22 @ 25c. Hops—1808 crop, 17 1/2c. Citrus Fruit—Oranges, Valencia, \$2.75 @ 3.25; Mexican times, \$4 @ 5.50; California lemons, 75c @ \$1.50; do choice, \$1.75 @ 2.00 per box. Hay—Wheat, \$7 @ 8; wheat and oat, \$7 @ 8; oat, \$5 @ 6; best barley, \$4.50 @ 7; alfalfa, \$5.50 @ 7 per ton; straw, 25 @ 37 1/2c per bale. Potatoes—Early Rose, 75 @ 90c; Oregon Burbanks, \$1.45 @ \$1.55; river Burbanks, 75 @ 90c; Salinas Burbanks, \$1.25 @ 1.40 per sack. Tropical fruits—Bananas, \$1.50 @ 2.50 per bunch; pineapples, \$2 @ 4.00; Persian dates, 6 @ 14c per pound.

A STARTLING OBJECT LESSON.

How a Mexican Alabado Learned Some of the Difficulties of Railroading.

The old Northwestern engineer was telling tales of by-gone days down in Mexico and dwelling upon the Mexican's ignorance of railroading. "Once, near Victoria," said he, "we were loaded heavily with iron, and we hit the usual drunken Mexican asleep on the track. Then folks used to think a roadbed letter a wool mattress. It was down grade and around a curve, and we were going at a fair clip, and though we had air brakes, we couldn't hold up in time. We ground him up, and at Victoria, ten miles further on, we didn't have any better sense than to report it. Of course, the train was sidetracked and we were put in jail. Next day we were hauled up before the alcalde. He was a little, dried up man, with mahogany skin and snow-white mustache. He greeted severely, but I noticed that his eye twinkled a good deal and I sorter continued to him right away. We told him that we couldn't stop the train in the time allowed us, and it was the truth. He said, through an interpreter, of course: 'I've heard all this before. Fire of my people have been killed by trains in six months and I have let the train crews go. They said they couldn't stop. I'm going to see about this. Your train is on the sidetrack, coupled and loaded. We'll fire up and go back to the place where you killed Vicente. We'll run down at the same speed. When you come near to the curve you must try hard to stop. I will go in the cab with you.'"

"Well, we fired up and went back three miles beyond the death spot. Then we started forward again. Of course it was not my business to run too slowly. I wanted to show the alcalde that stopping in the space described was an impossibility. Old Vic was a quick engine, and inside of two miles, it being a down grade, we were doing a two-minute clip. We struck the curve at forty miles an hour. The alcalde had never in his life been on a train, and he was leaning out of the cab window, waving his big straw hat and shouting 'Viva! Viva!' As we sighted the spot where Vicente had been pulverized the airbrakes went on like the clump of death. I was thrown to the floor of the cab myself. As for the alcalde, he shot through the window like a rocket, turned six somersaults and lit on his back in the sand thirty feet away. The train ground to a standstill, yards beyond the blood-stained ties. He came limping up, brushing the sand out of his white hair. I remember that his mustache was all bent down on one side. He looked up at me and said simply, 'Valga me Dios' which is about equivalent to 'I darn my buttons.' We were back to back, and discharged as usual and invited us to dinner with him. We stayed and pulled out that evening. Everybody ran pretty much on his own schedule in them times."

Philadelphia collected \$102,000 as taxes on trolley company dividends last year. My doctor said I would die, but Pinch's Cure for Consumption cured me.—Amos Kelner, Cherry Valley, Wis., Nov. 25, '06.

The Dougherty County Manufacturing Company may soon be incorporated to build a cotton mill at Albany, Ga.

Remember that you can buy Jesse Moore A. A. Whiskey for the same price that is paid for ordinary whiskey. For sale by all first-class dealers and druggists.

Patience With His Night. A horse may pull with all his might, but never with his mane.—Chicago Daily News.

In 1850 it was estimated that the consumption of pure alcohol in France equaled 1 1/2 liters per head of the population. In 1906 it had increased to 4 1/2 liters, apart from the use of wines, beers and ciders.

The Westminster Presbyterian church of Jersey City closes its doors at the beginning of the service, and they are opened, but once again during the service to admit late comers. It is stated that this is done to correct the habit of tardiness.

A friendly wrestling match between brothers John and Frederick Singer, in Webster City, Ia., resulted in the death of the younger.

The twelfth annual census will be taken next year, and it is estimated that it will show a population of over 71,000,000 in the United States.

A novel way of pairing guests at a dinner has come in vogue in New York. The guests are marked, and each gentleman chooses a lady and escorts her to the dining room. When the soup is served the guests unmark.

Whale in Shrimp Net. A small bottle-necked whale 11 feet long and 6 feet in circumference has been captured off the Essex coast, and is now to be seen on the beach at Southport. It was surprised near the shore by some local fishermen, who managed to take it by tugging it up in an old shrimp net.

Fireworks Every Sunday. In the old Brazilian town of Bahia fireworks form a part of the regular Sunday ceremonies. The town has a number of churches, and they fiercely compete for patronage. One of the great deep-toned bells remind the townspeople that Sunday is come. Then their attendance at service is earnestly desired. So every Sunday morning and evening witnesses a small Fourth of July celebration from an American point of view in the queer old town of Bahia.

Crowded London. At this time in London there are living 400,000 people in one-roomed homes. Of that number 3,000 are living eight or more in one room, 9,000 are living seven or more in one room, and 20,000 six or more in one room. In Scotland one-third of the entire population live in one-roomed homes. Seventy nabobs own one-half of the whole land of Scotland and obtained it by fraud. "No Room to Live" is the title of a book on the subject.

World's Coal Fields. The total area of the coal fields in the world is estimated at 471,800 square miles.

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Farm hands in Yucatan wear linen garments of spotless white. When they become even slightly soiled they hasten to change them. Work is plentiful there, farm laborers are well paid, and they can afford to be tidy.

A German railroad now building in Eastern Africa, where the climate is most dangerous to the white man, recently offered positions to civil engineers at \$1,125 per annum, station masters at \$1,000 and locomotive drivers \$600.

The coarsest human hair is the red, and blonde hair is the finest. The thickness of human hair varies from the 250th to the 600th part of an inch.

The longest tunnel in the world is that of St. Gothard, on the line of the railroad between Lucerne and Milan. Its length is nine and one-half miles.

The highest active volcano in the world is that of the smoking mountain, Popocatepetl, in Mexico. It is 17,784 feet above the sea. Its crater is three miles in circumference, and it is 1,000 feet deep.

Just a Woman's Story

For eight years I suffered with weakness peculiar to my sex. I could neither sleep nor eat well, and was reduced to a mere skeleton. My skin was scabby, my eyes heavy and I was often obliged to lie in bed. I was at the brink of despair when a friend told me what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People had accomplished for her. I bought a box and I recommend them to every suffering woman.—From the Druggists' Circular.

Utah's glittering salt palaces, with its milky plain and other attractions, opened at Salt Lake City August 21. The Rio Grande Western, the only line running through the Mormon capital, has arranged to give holders of all classes of tickets a day stop-over at Salt Lake in order that they may have an opportunity of visiting the wonderful structures, built of salt crystals taken from the brine of the Great Salt Lake itself.

The inauguration of the Rio Grande Western's dining car service, doing away with the necessity of stopping trains at eating stations, leaves nothing to be desired for an ideal trip across the continent; for the equipment and train service are equal, if not superior, to those of any of the transcontinental lines. Furthermore, no line traverses any section of the American continent where there is so much grandeur of scenery. A daylight ride through the heart of the Rockies leaves nothing to be desired.

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A family comprising seven persons left Scranton, N. Y., the other day, the whole party traveling on one full-fare railroad ticket. There were the mother and her three pairs of twins, none of the children being up to the half-fare age of five years.

Up-to-date suits for dressers have telephone attachment so that the telephoned person can converse with his aids at the surface.

An uncommon disease caused the death of Mrs. Rose Fox, a resident of Bloomington, Ill. Portions of her flesh had become as dry and hard as bone.

In Rockford, Ill., recently, a gust of wind blew a baby carriage on to a railroad track in front of a train, and the children in the carriage were killed.

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Irish railways have been moving toward consolidation.

Twenty-five years ago the United States supplied 15 per cent of the world's coal consumption, now they supply 30 per cent.

The dogs in Hamwell county, S. C., are returned at a valuation of \$12,800, while the assessed valuation of the entire property of the county is sheep and goats is \$201.

A lady at Green Haven, N. Y., secured a separation from her husband on the ground of extreme cruelty. Among other brutal acts he was in the habit of sleeping with a hammer under his pillow, and with this he frequently threatened, during the night, to pound her into insensibility.

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